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254	Irrigation Interpretation Model different irrigation systems
260	Long Haul (The) Haul water to appreciate the amount of water used daily
262	Nature Rules! Write news stories based on natural, water-related disasters
267	Sum of the Parts Demonstrate nonpoint source pollution
271	Water Meter Construct a water meter and keep track of personal water use
274	Water Works Create a web of water users
279	Where Are the Frogs Run a simulation and experiment to understand the effects of acid rain
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388	Hot Water Debate water issues
392	Pass the Jug Simulate water rights policies with a "jug" of water
397	Perspectives Identify values to solve water management issues
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403	Water Bill of Rights Create a document to guarantee the right to clean and sustainable water resources
407	Water Concentration Play concentration and discover how water use practices evolve
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450	wAteR in motion Create artwork that simulates the movement and sound of water in nature
454	Water Message in Stone Replicate ancient rock art, creating symbols of water
457	Water Write Explore feelings about and perception of water topics through writing exercises
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Sixth Grade

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Dilemma Derby (377)		6.2.7 6.2.8	6.3.8 6.3.16	6.4.8		
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The Great Stony Book (150)	6.1.2	6.2.5 6.2.7			6.5.5	6.7.2
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ACTIVITY						
The Incredible Journey (161)			6.3.9 6.3.11 6.3.13		6.5.5	6.7.2
Irrigation Interpretation (254)			6.3.8 6.3.16	6.4.8		6.7.2
Is there Water on Zork? (43)	6.1.2	6.2.8				
Just Passing Through (166)			6.3.16	6.4.8		6.7.2
Let's Even Things Out (72)				6.4.7	6.5.5	6.7.2
Life in the Fast Lane (79)		6.2.5 6.2.6		6.4.8	6.5.4	
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Macro-invertebrate (322)		6.2.5 6.2.7	6.3.8 6.3.16	6.4.8	6.5.5	
Money Down the Drain (328)		6.2.5	6.3.8		6.5.2	
Nature Rules! (262)		6.2.7	6.3.12			
Old Water (171)	6.1.1	6.2.7	6.3.7			
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ACTIVITY						
Sparkling Water (348)		6.2.5 6.2.8	6.3.8 6.3.19			
Sum of the Parts (267)			6.3.8 6.3.16		6.5.5	
Super Bowl Surge (353)		6.2.5 6.2.7, 6.2.8	6.3.8	6.4.8	6.5.5	
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Standard 1

The Nature of Science and Technology

Students design investigations. They use computers and other technology to collect and analyze data; they explain findings and can relate how they conduct investigations to how the scientific enterprise functions as a whole. Students understand that technology has allowed humans to do many things, yet it cannot always provide solutions to our needs.

The Scientific View of the World

- 6.1.1 Explain that some scientific knowledge, such as the length of the year, is very old and yet is still applicable today. Understand, however, that scientific knowledge is never exempt from review and criticism.

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Scientific Inquiry

- 6.1.2 Give examples of different ways scientists investigate natural phenomena and identify processes all scientists use, such as collection of relevant evidence, the use of logical reasoning, and the application of imagination in devising hypotheses* and explanations, in order to make sense of the evidence.

WET Activities (page): 43, 93, 107, 150, 186, 246, 293, 311, 338

- 6.1.3 Recognize and explain that hypotheses are valuable, even if they turn out not to be true, if they lead to fruitful investigations.

*hypothesis: an informed guess or tentative explanation for which there is not yet much evidence

WET Activities (page): 30, 307, 338

The Scientific Enterprise

- 6.1.4 Give examples of employers who hire scientists, such as colleges and universities, businesses and industries, hospitals, and many government agencies.

WET Activities (page): 293, 360

Technology and Science

- 6.1.7 Explain that technology is essential to science for such purposes as access to outer space and other remote locations, sample collection and treatment, measurement, data collection and storage, computation, and communication of information.

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- 6.1.8 Describe instances showing that technology cannot always provide successful solutions for problems or fulfill every human need.

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6.1.9 Explain how technologies can influence all living things.

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Standard 2

Scientific Thinking

Students use computers and other tools to collect information, calculate, and analyze data. They prepare tables and graphs, using these to summarize data and identify relationships.

Computation and Estimation

6.2.1 Find the mean* and median* of a set of data.

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6.2.2 Use technology, such as calculators or computer spreadsheets, in analysis of data.

*mean: the average obtained by adding the values and dividing by the number of values

*median: the value that divides a set of data, written in order of size, into two equal parts

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Manipulation and Observation

6.2.3 Select tools, such as cameras and tape recorders, for capturing information.

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6.2.4 Inspect, disassemble, and reassemble simple mechanical devices and describe what the various parts are for. Estimate what the effect of making a change in one part of a system is likely to have on the system as a whole.

WET Activities (page): 144, 242, 316

Communication Skills

6.2.5 Organize information in simple tables and graphs and identify relationships they reveal. Use tables and graphs as examples of evidence for explanations when writing essays or writing about lab work, fieldwork, etc.

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6.2.6 Read simple tables and graphs produced by others and describe in words what they show.

WET Activities (page): 25, 79, 136, 238, 271, 289, 293, 307, 367

6.2.7 Locate information in reference books, back issues of newspapers and magazines, compact disks, and computer databases.

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- 6.2.8 Analyze and interpret a given set of findings, demonstrating that there may be more than one good way to do so.
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Standard 3

The Physical Setting

Students collect and organize data to identify relationships between physical objects, events, and processes. They use logical reasoning to question their own ideas as new information challenges their conceptions of the natural world.

The Earth and the Processes That Shape It

- 6.3.5 Use models or drawings to explain that Earth has different seasons and weather patterns because it turns daily on an axis that is tilted relative to the plane of Earth's yearly orbit around the sun. Know that because of this, sunlight falls more intensely on different parts of Earth during the year (the accompanying greater length of days also has an effect) and the difference in heating produces seasons and weather patterns.
WET Activities (page): 174, 206
- 6.3.7 Understand and describe the scales involved in characterizing Earth and its atmosphere. Describe that Earth is mostly rock, that three-fourths of its surface is covered by a relatively thin layer of water, and that the entire planet is surrounded by a relatively thin blanket of air.
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- 6.3.8 Explain that fresh water, limited in supply and uneven in distribution, is essential for life and also for most industrial processes. Understand that this resource can be depleted or polluted, making it unavailable or unsuitable for life.
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- 6.3.9 Illustrate that the cycling of water in and out of the atmosphere plays an important role in determining climatic patterns.
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- 6.3.11 Identify and explain the effects of oceans on climate.
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- 6.3.12 Describe ways human beings protect themselves from adverse weather conditions.
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- 6.3.13 Identify, explain, and discuss some effects human activities, such as the creation of pollution, have on weather and the atmosphere.
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- 6.3.15 Explain that although weathered* rock is the basic component of soil, the composition and texture of soil and its fertility and resistance to erosion* are

greatly influenced by plant roots and debris, bacteria, fungi, worms, insects, and other organisms.

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- 6.3.16 Explain that human activities, such as reducing the amount of forest cover, increasing the amount and variety of chemicals released into the atmosphere, and farming intensively, have changed the capacity of the environment to support some life forms.

*weathering: breaking down of rocks and other materials on Earth's surface by such processes as rain or wind.

*erosion: the process by which the products of weathering are moved from one place to another

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Matter* and Energy*

- 6.3.17 Recognize and describe that energy is a property of many objects and is associated with heat, light, electricity, mechanical motion, and sound.

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- 6.3.19 Investigate that materials may be composed of parts that are too small to be seen without magnification.

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- 6.3.20 Investigate that equal volumes* of different substances usually have different masses as well as different densities*.

matter: anything that has mass and takes up space

*mass: a measure of how much matter is in an object

energy: what is needed to do work

work: a force acting over a distance to move an object

force: a push or a pull that can cause a change in the motion of an object

*motion: a change in position of an object in a certain amount of time

*volume: a measure of the size of a three-dimensional object

*density: the density of a sample is the sample's mass divided by its volume

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Forces of Nature

- 6.3.22 Demonstrate that vibrations in materials set up wavelike disturbances, such as sound and earthquake waves*, that spread away from the source.

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- 6.3.23 Explain that electrical circuits* provide a means of transferring electrical energy from sources such as generators to devices in which heat, light, sound, and chemical changes are produced.

*wave: traveling disturbance that carries energy from one place to another

*circuit: the complete path of an electric current

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Standard 4

The Living Environment

Students recognize that plants and animals obtain energy in different ways, and they can describe some of the internal structures of organisms related to this function. They examine the similarities and differences between humans and other species. They use microscopes to observe cells and recognize cells as the building blocks of all life.*

Diversity of Life

- 6.4.3 Describe some of the great variety of body plans and internal structures animals and plants have that contribute to their being able to make or find food and reproduce.

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- 6.4.6 Distinguish the main differences between plant and animal cells, such as the presence of chlorophyll* and cell walls in plant cells and their absence in animal cells.

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- 6.4.7 Explain that about two-thirds of the mass of a cell is accounted for by water. Understand that water gives cells many of their properties.

*species: a category of biological classification that is comprised of organisms sufficiently and closely related as to be potentially able to mate with one another

chlorophyll: a substance found in green plants that is needed for photosynthesis

*photosynthesis: a process by which green plants use energy from sunlight to make their own food

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Interdependence of Life and Evolution

- 6.4.8 Explain that in all environments, such as freshwater, marine, forest, desert, grassland, mountain, and others, organisms with similar needs may compete with one another for resources, including food, space, water, air, and shelter. In any environment, the growth and survival of organisms depend on the physical conditions.

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- 6.4.10 Describe how life on Earth depends on energy from the sun.

*producer: an organism that can make its own food

*consumer: an organism that feeds directly or indirectly on producers

*predator: an organism that kills and eats other organisms

*prey: an organism that is killed and eaten by a predator

*parasite: an organism that feeds on other living organisms

*host: an organism in which or on which another organism lives

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Standard 5

The Mathematical World

Students apply mathematics in scientific contexts. They use mathematical ideas, such as relations between operations, symbols, shapes in three dimensions, statistical relationships, and the use of logical reasoning in the representation and synthesis of data.

Numbers

6.5.2 Evaluate the precision and usefulness of data based on measurements taken.

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Shapes and Symbolic Relationships

6.5.4 Demonstrate how graphs may help to show patterns, such as trends, varying rates of change, gaps, or clusters, which can be used to make predictions.

*sphere: a shape best described as that of a round ball, such as a baseball, that looks the same when seen from all directions

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Reasoning and Uncertainty

6.5.5 Explain the strengths and weaknesses of using an analogy to help describe an event, object, etc.

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6.5.6 Predict the frequency of the occurrence of future events based on data.

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Standard 7

Common Themes

Students use mental and physical models to conceptualize processes. They recognize that many systems have feedback mechanisms that limit changes.

Systems

6.7.1 Describe that a system, such as the human body, is composed of subsystems.

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Models and Scale

6.7.2 Use models to illustrate processes that happen too slowly, too quickly, or on too small a scale to observe directly, or are too vast to be changed deliberately, or are potentially dangerous.

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Constancy and Change

6.7.3 Identify examples of feedback mechanisms within systems that serve to keep changes within specified limits.

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